

A circular black and white stamp. The outer ring contains the text "OIP" at the top and "PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE" at the bottom. In the center, the date "MAY 28 2003" is stamped. There is a small dark circular mark near the top right of the stamp.

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 26, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows: